

Town Hall

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Announcements

Rayna Kent - F4I and AIPAC and SWAG!!!!

Evan Beller - SAC Announcement

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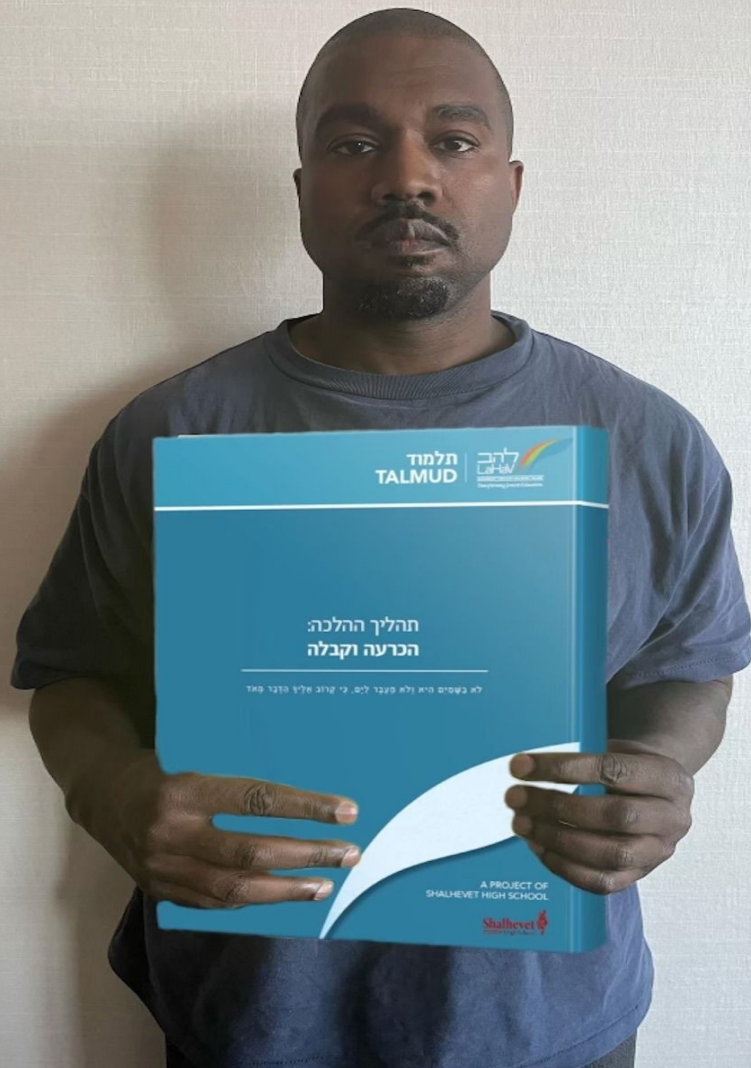
Swag!

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Meme of the Week



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Outfit of the Week

Nathan Soussana



Shoutout Jonah and Joel!!!!

Vort of the Week

כְּבוֹלְעוּ כֶּךָ פּוֹלְטוּ

Pesachim 30b

כְּבוֹלְעוּ מִתּוֹךְ כְּלֵי רֵאשׁוֹן כֶּךָ פּוֹלְטוּ בְּכֵלֵי רֵאשׁוֹן

Rashi

Itinerary:

- 1 proposal to vote on!
 - “Shalhevet Beautification Proposal” by Evan Beller
- Get ready to vote
- Discussing Hashkama
- Update on the status of the current system
- Starting the conversation on how we can move forward davening & Hashkama

“Shalhevet
Beautification
Proposal”

Evan Beller

“Remove the Israel sticker mural and bring the Shalhevet Just Community Constitution

back to its previous location on the second floor wall, instead of it’s current location in the

executive suite next to the front entrance of the school.”

VOTE!

Hashkama!

The History

- Admin changed davening so that only AGS/BMT students can go to Hashkama
- Benjamin Gamson & BP Editorial Board proposed a change back to old system
- Judicial Review committee found the proposal **unconstitutional**
 - “The jurisdiction of the Just Community does not encompass the domains of curriculum”
 - *Preamble, Purpose and Scope, Limits of Democracy.*
- This is the general process however:
 - Proposal -> Agenda -> Judicial Review -> School (if passes)
- Therefore, we are **not** here to **vote** on this **but** to **discuss**

The Current Situation

- Proposal to go back to old davening deemed **unconstitutional**
- Current system is staying for now...
- Old system **cannot** return
- New parameters for proposals
 - Logistical elements required
- The JC is constantly refining itself

Main sources: *The Just Community Constitution*: preamble³ (*Purpose and Scope*) and articles I, IV (§ I, II⁴⁻⁵, III, IV). Original proposal from the Boiling Point Editorial Board^{1,2}. Verdict from Judicial Review Meeting(s); Jack Sanders of Agenda, Liad Machmali of SAC, Henry Fried of Fairness, Head of School Rabbi Block, Faculty Advisor Rabbi Lieberman.

Jack:

Empirically, it feels that davening is in its greatest iteration—both in terms of presence and spirituality. One thing missing from this debate is a reflection on the state of davening before the changes were instituted. The archaic system enabled ditching and lying, and this was common in the halls.

Henry:

While there could have been more communication with students and a clearer explanation regarding the change in davening

The Boiling Point Editorial Board (Ha B”Peb) proposed: “Allow all students to attend Hashkama minyan regad-less of their class selection. The student Hashkama leaders reserve the right to bar disruptive students from attendance.”¹ B”Peb said the new davening changes, which restrict davening choices in the efforts of increasing attendance and deterring ditching, were “against what the Just Community stands for” and “undemocratic” and “wrong”². Rav Block m’Shalhevet said: this is an issue of curriculum. Like R”B, Rav Lieberman agreed. Just as History, Math, or Science is a required class, which teachers may enforce attendance at their own discretion, davening is too. Liad m’SAC and Henry m’Fairness and Jack m’Agenda added: Future davening proposals must include logistical pieces, ensuring attendance. Davening proposals are possible with those pieces in mind. It is also like the concept of כבלעו כך פולטו which brings down that what is created in a manner must end in its manner. Hashkama was created by students, but not by Just Community action. Therefore R”B states that JC action is not required to alter Hashkama. The Judicial Review Committee stated: As it was taught in the Constitution, the JC “does not encompass the domain of curriculum.”³ And so Rav Lieberman said “If Hashem is with me the water fountain will reverse its direction”, and so it did.

Key Excerpts: “The Judicial Review Subcommittee may reject the proposal, deeming it unconstitutional and/or in violation of the values of the Just Community.”⁴; “Every proposal must pass through the Judicial Review Subcommittee and requires unanimous approval to be voted upon by the Just Community.”⁵

and hashkama

minyan, it was not

unconstitutional.

Shalhevet fosters a

community where

students can

propose ideas and

contribute, but

when programs

fall into the category

of curriculum, it is

within the admin’s

jurisdiction to alter

the program.

Liad:

Our discussion

should not be

about voting to

bring back the

old Hashkama policy.

Rather, we should

come together and

decide what may be

a better alternative

then limiting who ca

and can’t attend

Hashkama.

Student side:

- **Value of choice**
- **Hashkama allows flexibility for students & parents**
- **Value of student-lead things**
- **Davening is important !**

Faculty side:

- **Skipping davening became a consistent issue**
- **Cannot be a system that requires more oversight**
- **Hashkama was created for serious davening not a break**
- **Davening is important !!**

Just Community

- Was the Just Community/Shalhevet efficient in dealing with the issue of davening?
- What could have been done differently?
- Should issues that **can't** be voted on be discussed? Why or why not?

Davening

- How has each minyan changed? What's different?
- Does Hashkama accomplish its goal?
 - Hashkama was created to be the more **serious** davening
- Is a serious davening possible without faculty?
 - Is Hashkama an example or counter-example of this?

Moving Forward

- Is it possible to address attendance issues while allowing students to have a Hashkama option?
 - Remember: The best solutions require the least enforcement here
- What would be the effect of opening Hashkama back up to everyone?
- Would you go if Hashkama opened back up? Why or why not?

Further

- What did davening electives accomplish?
- How can we bring them back and ensure proper attendance?
- Did you benefit from electives?



Bring back meditation davening!!!

and girls singing!!!

And chassidish